how I select priority bills for the committee and myself. I've looked at a handout from Dick Brown on General File bills that are before us. From my estimation I'd say at least two-thirds of those bills are consent calendar bills. So...

SPEAKER NICHOL: (Gavel.) Ladies and gentlemen, please listen to this because it will save going over it again. So I do ask your attention for just a few minutes having to do with priority bills.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Mr. Speaker, my question is I guess if two-thirds or so many of the bills on General File, and I apologize, I don't know if you have a copy of this in front of you or have seen it, Mr. Speaker, but with so many bills on consent calendar, what are your plans in terms of having consent calendar, and if a bill is on consent calendar and is noncontroversial, is there a good chance we will have time to go to consent calendar and deal with these bills, or do you feel that even if a bill is on consent calendar we ought to make it a priority if it's real important to pass this year because we may not get through all the consent calendar bills? I guess it's an important question for me because in the Public Health bills at least three-fourths of our bills are consent calendar. If we can be assured that consent calendar will be approached, there is no need to make those priority bills.

SPEAKER NICHOL: That is a good question. But let me urge you if you have a priority bill and you are wondering about it, for goodness sake choose that bill. We are going to have one more half day of consent calendar. That will be next Wednesday, this coming Wednesday will be the other half day that we have for consent calendar. That will nowhere near take all the bills that are on consent calendar by a long ways. If you have a bill in there, even though it may be early up, I really ask you to take it and don't take a chance on it. Secondly, if you have a bill in committee don't hesitate to take that for your priority bill. If you have one on General File now don't hesitate to take that because if it is on General File now doesn't anywhere near guarantee that we'll get to it. So I urge you, if you have a favorite bill, take it regardless of where it is, even on Select File. Don't take a chance on that if you really want the bill because they can get hung up on Select File now and never make it. It is unlikely, I know, but for heavens sake